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SUBJECT: KITHIMA COMMENTS ON NEW ECONOMIC MEASURES

1. FORMER STATE COMMISSIONER KITHIMA WHO RECEIVED CENTRAL PRINTING PLANT IN BUKAVU AFTER ZAIRIANIZATION MEASURES OF 1973 SPOKE WITH BELGIAN BANKER HERE ON JANUARY 18 ABOUT EXTENSION OF CREDIT FOR PLANT EXPANSION.

2. WHEN ASKED ABOUT EFFECT OF NEW ECONOMIC MEASURES ON HIS STATUS IN CENTRAF AS WELL AS COFFEE PROCESSING PLANT HE HOLDS AT BENI, HE REPLIED THAT HE DID NOT REALLY EXPECT TO BE COMPELLED TO GIVE UP THESE ENTERPRISES.

3. HE ADDED THAT IF THIS PROVED NECESSARY IT WOULD BE "TO MAKE A SHOW FOR THE GALLERY." IN THIS EVENTUALITY HE HOPED TO INSTALL ONE OF HIS EMPLOYEES WHO WOULD THEN RUN THE BUSINESS "FOR THE STATE." BUT HE CLEARLY HOPED TO CONTINUE TO REALIZE PERSONAL INCOME FROM THE ACTIVITIES AS WELL.

4. IN REPLY TO SEVEAL QUESTIONS FROM THE SAME BANKER ON IMPL-

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MENTATION OF THE ECONOMIC MEASURES, REGIONAL COMMISSIONER NDEBO

COMMENTED ON JANUARY 15 THAT HE WAS STILL "IN THE DARK AS MUCH
AS YOU" ON MOST ASPECTS. THE ONLY COURSE WAS TO AWAIT DETAILS
FROM "THE PRESIDENT-FOUNDATEUR." NDEBO THOUGHT THESE WOULD BE
FORTHCOMING RATHER RAPIDLY.
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